

MINUTES

BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS

FEBRUARY 4, 2009

A regular meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners was called to order at 6:00 PM by Chairman Nuzzolillo. Also present were Commissioners Sam Muzio, Michael Zuccarelli, Peter Criscuolo, Daniel Fleming, Chief Vincent Landisio and Deputy Chief Frank Gersz.

Chairman Nuzzolillo asked for a motion for approval of the minutes of the regular Board of Fire Commissioners meeting. Commissioner Criscuolo made a motion to accept the minutes of December 17, 2008. Commissioner Muzio seconded.

Voted: Nuzzolillo-yes, Muzio-yes, Zuccarelli-yes, Criscuolo-yes, Fleming-yes

The Chief then asked for a moment of silence for past Second Selectman Joseph Kaszeta.

The Chief's report was then given. He reported that we continue to stay busy and the EMS calls are in the 72% range. He then spoke of the yearly overview of all alarms in 2008. He then spoke of department issues and training that took place during the month.

Chairman Nuzzolillo on behalf of the commission thanked all members of the department for their outstanding work over the past year.

Chief then asked that the sick and injury leave be discussed in executive session. Chairman Nuzzolillo agreed.

Chief then discussed a meeting regarding substance abuse awareness among our young people that will be taking place on February 11, 2009 at the North Haven High School.

Chief Landisio spoke of correspondence in the department. Chief stated he received several correspondences thanking the department. Lastly, he spoke of a letter received from a concerned resident in regards to hydrants.

Chairman Nuzzolillo then spoke of a correspondence that he received from Sons & Daughters of Italy. Police Chief DiCarlo and Fire Chief Landisio will be honored as distinguished citizens on March 28, 2009. He then congratulated both Chiefs on being honored.

The Chairman then read a letter from his commission that will be sent to Chairman Dean Volain of the Board of Finance Commission in support of the Fire Department's 09/10 fiscal year budget.

Chief Landisio spoke of unfinished business for the department. He spoke of the pending grants and receiving one small grant from CT Fair Municipal for a new digital camera. He also stated they are looking into applying for more grants. Lastly, the

dispatch report was sent to all commissioners finalizing the recent dispatch issues. The department will continue to monitor dispatch issues.

The Chairman thanked everyone for their help and support on the dispatch issues.

Chief Landisio then spoke of new business in the department. He stated that a Firefighter I class is tentatively scheduled for February 24, 2009 and will be hosted at Montowese Company # 2. He spoke of the department's budget meeting which is scheduled for Saturday, February 28, 2009 at 1000 hours. Also, a CPR course is being taught to North Haven Middle School students by several of the career firefighters that have donated their time.

Chairman Nuzzolillo on behalf of the commission thanked all the firefighters for donating their time to such a worthy cause.

Chief Landisio then spoke of the good of the department. He discussed the following events; thanking the public and the companies for all their support during the holiday season, St. Baldrick's event will be happening in the next month, St. Patrick's Day Parade is having financial difficulties and Knights of St. Patrick will be sponsoring a benefit on February 19, 2009 to save it, and lastly the Hamden North Haven Elks announced their Firefighter of the Year nominees: career Firefighter Pat Marcarelli and volunteer Captain Roger Neville, they will be having a dinner at the Elks on Saturday, February 28, 2009.

Chairman Nuzzolillo then asked if the Local 2987 President had anything he wanted to share. President Jeff Obier then stated that the CPR class will be held at the North Haven Middle School three (3) times a year thanks to the support of Anthem Blue Cross and the students were very eager to learn. Lastly, he gave an update on the contract negotiations.

Chief Landisio then spoke of the two (2) firefighters that are currently in Paramedic School and should be finished by April 2009.

There being no further public business to come before the Board, Commissioner Muzio moved to convene an executive session at 6:45 PM. Commissioner Criscuolo seconded.
Voted: Nuzzolillo-yes, Criscuolo-yes, Muzio-yes, Zuccarelli-yes, Fleming-yes

Chairman Nuzzolillo moved to reconvene the meeting at 7:16 PM.

Commissioner Criscuolo made a motion to grant a three (3) month leave of absence to Anthony Giglio of Montowese Company # 2 for personal reasons effective immediately until May 4, 2009. Commissioner Zuccarelli seconded.
Voted: Nuzzolillo-yes, Criscuolo-yes, Muzio-yes, Zuccarelli-yes, Fleming-yes

Commissioner Muzio made a motion to accept the resignation of George Porto from West Ridge Company # 3 due to moving out of town. Commissioner Criscuolo seconded.
Voted: Nuzzolillo-yes, Criscuolo-yes, Muzio-yes, Zuccarelli-yes, Fleming-yes

Commissioner Muzio made a motion to accept the applications of Vincent Landisio III and Michael Cieplak of West Ridge Company # 3, Christopher Bonilla of Montowese Company # 2 and David Koczak of Northeast Company # 4 as probationary members pending medical evaluations. Commissioner Criscuolo seconded.
Voted: Nuzzolillo-yes, Criscuolo-yes, Muzio-yes, Zuccarelli-yes, Fleming-yes

Commissioner Fleming made a motion to reassign Mark DiNicola of Northeast Company # 4 from Fire Company to Fire-Police effective immediately. Commissioner Muzio seconded.
Voted: Nuzzolillo-yes, Criscuolo-yes, Muzio-yes, Zuccarelli-yes, Fleming-yes

There being no further business to come before the Board, Commissioner Criscuolo moved for adjournment at 7:30 PM. Commissioner Muzio seconded.
Voted: Nuzzolillo-yes, Criscuolo-yes, Muzio-yes, Zuccarelli-yes, Fleming-yes

Respectfully submitted,

Peter Criscuolo, Secretary

The next Board of Fire Commissioners Meeting is scheduled for February 25, 2009 at the Park & Rec. Center in the Game Room at 6:00 P.M.